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SUMMARY: AS REQUESTED REF C, THE EMBASSY HAS PREPARED THE SIXTH SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT ON SOVIET CSCE IMPLEMENTATION. THIS REPORT IDENTIFIES CHANGES IN SOVIET PERFORMANCE WHICH HAVE TAKEN PLACE BETWEEN THE FIFTH REPORT OF NOVEMBER 1977 (REF A) AND APRIL 1978. IT FOLLOWS THE U.S. CHECK-LIST AND TASKING REQUIREMENTS PROVIDED IN REF B, AS SUPPLEMENTED BY PARA 4, REF D. END SUMMARY.

1. WORKING CONDITIONS FOR U.S. BUSINESSMEN

A. WHETHER THERE IS IMPROVEMENT OF CONDITIONS FOR EXPANSION OF BUSINESS CONTACTS, INCLUDING ACCESS TO END-USERS OF IMPORTED CAPITAL GOODS AND TECHNOLOGY.

-- THE ONLY CHANGE HAS BEEN A SINGLE CASE OF KGB HARASSMENT OF A U.S. BUSINESSMAN BY ATTEMPTING TO RECRUIT HIM TO INFORM ON ANOTHER FIRM. OTHER THAN THIS, CONDITIONS ARE AS BEFORE.

B. IMPROVED POSSIBILITIES FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF PERMANENT REPRESENTATION AND OF OFFICES.

-- AS OF DATE OF THIS REPORT, MONSANTO CHEMICAL CORPORATION
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TION HAD YET TO RECEIVE ITS ACCREDITATION FROM SOVIET MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE WHICH HAD REPORTEDLY BEEN APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE IN SEPTEMBER, 1977. (ACCORDING TO MONSANTO REP., FIRM DOES NOT NOW EXPECT TO RECEIVE SUCH ACCREDITATION IN FORESEEABLE FUTURE.) THUS, THERE HAVE BEEN NO NEW ACCREDITATIONS OF U.S. FIRMS TO OPEN OFFICES IN MOSCOW (OR USSR) SINCE JANUARY, 1977, WHEN ALLIS-CHALMERS, ARMCO STEEL AND SPERRY-UNIVAC WERE ACCREDITED. ALL THREE FIRMS, APPARENTLY, CONTINUE TO OPERATE UNDER SO-CALLED "TEMPORARY" ACCREDITATION, ALTHOUGH EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS ALLIS-CHALMERS HAS BEEN TOLD BY SOVIET MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE THAT IT WILL RECEIVE "PERMANENT" ACCREDITATION ON MAY 10, 1978, WHEN THE VISAS OF ITS RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE AND FAMILY ARE REVIEWED. THERE ARE STRONG RUMORS AMONG THE WESTERN COMMERCIAL COMMUNITY IN MOSCOW THAT NO NEW BUSINESS ACCREDITATIONS WILL BE GRANTED UNTIL AFTER THE 1980 OLYMPIC GAMES BECAUSE OF TIGHT SPACE PROBLEMS WHICH THE SOVIETS ARE ALLEGEDLY CONTINUING TO EXPERIENCE. BASED ON AVAILABLE EVIDENCE, THE EMBASSY WOULD BE HARD PUT TO GAINSAY THESE RUMORS.

C. BETTER PROVISION OF HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS, MEANS OF

COMMUNICATION, AND SUITABLE BUSINESS AND RESIDENTIAL PREMISES.

-- HOUSING SITUATION REMAINS DIFFICULT. SINCE OUR LAST REPORT, ONE ACCREDITED U.S. FIRM (INGERSOLL-RAND) HAS BEEN PROVIDED WITH A FLAT FOR ITS SENIOR REPRESENTATIVE. ARMC0 AND SPERRY-UNIVAC HAVE YET TO BE ASSIGNED PERMANENT LIVING QUARTERS FOR THEIR REPRESENTATIVES (ALTHOUGH BOTH HAVE ACCEPTABLE OFFICE SPACE IN HOTELS). ALLIS-CHALMERS' RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE AND FAMILY ARE NOW IN PERMANENTLY-ASSIGNED APARTMENT, BUT FIRM STILL OPERATES OUT OF CRAMPED AND INADEQUATE OFFICE SPACE IN AN OUT-OF-THE-WAY HOTEL IN MOSCOW. THE DEPUTY REPRE-

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SENTATIVE FOR ARTHUR ANDERSON AND COOPER INDUSTRIES HAVE NOT YET BEEN ASSIGNED PERMANENT QUARTERS. THE INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE WAS OFFERED A SMALL FLAT BUT TURNED IT DOWN AS BEING INADEQUATE. THUS, TECHNICALLY THE SOVIETS CAN CLAIM THAT THEY TRIED TO SATISFY I-H'S DEMANDS FOR LIVING SPACE. ENGLEHARD MINERALS AND CHEMICALS CORPORATION ASSIGNED A DEPUTY TO ITS OFFICE IN JANUARY, 1978, AND HE HAS NOT YET BEEN OFFERED PERMANENT LIVING QUARTERS, DESPITE FACT THAT SOVIET MFT WAS ALERTED TO HIS COMING SEVERAL MONTHS IN ADVANCE. MFT'S PROTOCOL DIVISION CHIEF (RAKHMANIN) WAS ASKED APRIL 5 FOR AN UP-DATE ON THE NUMBER OF REQUESTS FOR APARTMENTS PENDING BEFORE IT, AND HIS ANSWER WAS THAT THERE WERE NOW ONLY THREE REQUESTS PENDING WITH THE MINISTRY: ARMCO, I-H AND ENGLEHARD. HE SAID HE WAS NOT AWARE OF THE COOPER REQUEST AND THAT THE ARTHUR ANDERSON REQUEST FELL UNDER SCST.

D. INCREASE IN AVAILABILITY OF ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL INFORMATION, INCLUDING PERIODIC DIRECTORIES, LISTS OF FOREIGN TRADE ENTITIES AND OFFICIALS, ORGANIZATIONAL CHARTS OF FIRMS AND ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED WITH FOREIGN TRADE, PERTINENT STATISTICS, FOREIGN TRADE LAWS AND REGULATIONS, AND ECONOMIC AND TRADE PROJECTIONS.

-- NO CHANGE.

E. INCREASE IN VARIETY AND NUMBER OF COOPERATION AGREEMENTS WITH U.S. FIRMS.

-- SINCE OUR PREVIOUS REPORT WE ARE AWARE OF THREE ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL COOPERATION AGREEMENTS SIGNED BY U.S. FIRMS, TWO WITH THE STATE COMMITTEE FOR SCIENCE AND CONFIDENTIAL

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TECHNOLOGY (SCST) AND ONE THE SOVIET MINISTRY OF THE FOOD INDUSTRY: ENVIROTECH (FEBRUARY 1978) AND DOW CHEMICAL

(FEBRUARY 1978) WITH SCST AND SEAGRAMS (FEBRUARY 1978)
WITH MFI (A PROTOCOL). ACCORDING TO SCST, THERE ARE NOW
64 SUCH AGREEMENTS WITH U.S. FIRMS IN EXISTENCE, ALTHOUGH
SOME MAY BE ALLOWED TO LAPSE WHEN THEY COME UP FOR RENEWAL
BECAUSE OF LACK OF ACTIVITY.

2. FAMILY MEETINGS

A. NUMBER OF VISAS ISSUED JULY - DECEMBER 1977 FOR
VISITS TO FAMILY MEMBERS IN U.S.: 914
B. PROVIDE BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY
AND DELAY PLACED BY HOST GOVERNMENT ON EXIT PERMITS FOR
LOCAL NATIONALS TO VISIT RELATIVES IN THE U.S., AND
ON VISAS FOR AMERICANS TO VISIT RELATIVES IN THE HOST
COUNTRY.

-- NO CHANGE.

C. PROVIDE BRIEF CHARACTERIZATION OF HOST GOVERNMENT
PERFORMANCE SINCE HELSINKI ON FAMILY VISITS, CONCERNING
BOTH PROVISION OF EXIT PERMITS TO LOCAL NATIONALS AND
VISAS FOR AMERICANS.

-- THE TOTAL NUMBER OF SOVIET CITIZENS PERMITTED TO TRAVEL
TO THE UNITED STATES AS PRIVATE VISITORS FOR THE PURPOSE OF
FAMILY VISITS REMAIN LOW; THE FIGURE FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER
1977 - MARCH 1978 SHOWS A SMALL INCREASE BY COMPARISON WITH
EARLY 1977 LEVELS. THERE WERE 911 PRIVATE VISITORS IN THE
SECOND HALF OF 1976.

3. FAMILY REUNIFICATIONS

A. IF POSSIBLE, PROVIDE NUMBER OF LOCAL NATIONALS WHO
APPLIED FOR U.S. IMMIGRANT VISAS (IVS) TO BE REUNIFIED
WITH THEIR RELATIVES.

-- AS BEFORE, THE NUMBER OF PERSONS APPLYING FOR U.S.
IMMIGRANT VISAS IS IDENTICAL WITH THE NUMBER OF VISAS
ISSUED (SUB PARA B BELOW), SINCE APPLICATIONS FROM INDI-
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VIDUALS WHO HAVE NOT ALREADY RECEIVED SOVIET EXIT PER-
MISSION ARE NOT ACCEPTED. VERY FEW APPLICATIONS FOR IVS -
NO MORE THAN 10 PER YEAR - ARE TURNED DOWN ON THE GROUNDS
OF VOLUNTARY MEMBERSHIP IN THE COMMUNIST PARTY OR CRIMES
INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE - SECTIONS 212 A (28) AND (9)
OF THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION ACT.

-- A TOTAL OF 93 IVS WERE GRANTED TO SOVIET CITIZENS IN
JULY - DECEMBER 1977, WHILE 102 WERE GRANTED IN THE LAST
SIX MONTHS OF 1976. BY FAR THE GREATEST NUMBER OF SOVIET
FAMILY REUNIFICATION CASES ARE HANDLED BY MEANS OF THIRD
COUNTRY PROCESSING VIA ROME. THERE WERE 1030 SUCH CASES
IN JULY - DECEMBER 1977 AND 1318 IN A SIMILAR PERIOD IN

1976. THIS DROP IS EXPLAINED BY THE DECREASE IN ARMENIAN TCP CASES FROM 906 TO 642 IN THE PERIOD, PROBABLY AS A RESULT OF A TIGHTENING OF CRITERIA BY SOVIET AUTHORITIES. WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT THE YEREVAN OVIR NO LONGER ACCEPTS PETITIONS FOR REUNIFICATION UNLESS THE RELATIONSHIP IS PARENT-CHILD OR HUSBAND-WIFE.

B. NUMBER OF U.S. IVS ISSUED IN JULY - DECEMBER 1977:

93.

C. ESTIMATE, IF POSSIBLE, OF NUMBER OF LOCAL NATIONALS WHO HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL IN THEIR APPLICATIONS TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES FOR FAMILY REUNIFICATION.

-- AS BEFORE, RELIABLE ESTIMATES CANNOT BE PROVIDED. SOVIET AUTHORITIES CLAIM THAT THEY ACCEPT MORE THAN 98 PERCENT OF ALL APPLICATIONS FOR FAMILY REUNIFICATION, BUT THE EMBASSY HAS NO WAY OF CHECKING THIS CLAIM AND SERIOUSLY DOUBTS IT. WE DO KNOW, HOWEVER, THAT THE FORMAL REFUSAL RATE IS HELD DOWN BY THE SIMPLE PROCEDURE OF REFUSING TO CONFIDENTIAL

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ACCEPT APPLICATIONS FROM SOVIET CITIZENS, AND FORCING OTHERS TO ABANDON THEIR APPLICATIONS BY INTIMIDATION.

-- THE RATE OF RESOLUTION OF REPLIST CASES DECREASED SHARPLY IN COMPARISON TO THE PRECEDING PERIOD. THE RATE FOR DECEMBER 1977 - APRIL 1978 WAS LESS THAN 4 PERCENT FOR INDIVIDUALS (5 PERCENT IF FAMILY MEMBERS ARE INCLUDED), WHILE IN THE 12-MONTH PERIOD AUGUST 1976 - AUGUST 1977 THE RATE WAS 16 PERCENT FOR INDIVIDUALS (18 PERCENT FOR FAMILY MEMBERS).

D. PROVIDE BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DEGREE OF DIFFICULTY AND DELAY PLACED BY HOST GOVERNMENT ON LOCAL NATIONALS WHO APPLY FOR FAMILY REUNIFICATION.

-- NO CHANGE.

E. PROVIDE BRIEF CHARACTERIZATION OF HOST GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE SINCE LAST REPORT ON FAMILY REUNIFICATIONS.

-- SEE SUB PARA C ABOVE.

F. PROVIDE COST OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMIGRATION DOCUMENT.

-- NO CHANGE.

4. BI-NATIONAL MARRIAGES

A. IF POSSIBLE, PROVIDE NUMBER OF BI-NATIONAL
MARRIAGES RECORDED AT EMBASSY.

-- THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 25 MARRIAGES BETWEEN SOVIET
AND AMERICAN CITIZENS IN THE REPORTING PERIOD OCTOBER 15,
1977 - APRIL 15, 1978. SOVIET INTERFERENCE REMAINS HIGH
AND THE EMBASSY IS AWARE OF TWO CASES IN WHICH MARRIAGES

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WERE THWARTED BY SOVIET AUTHORITIES DURING REPORTING PERIOD.

B. ESTIMATE, IF POSSIBLE, OF NUMBER OF EXIT PERMITS/ ENTRY VISAS ISSUED TO SPOUSES FOR PURPOSE OF BI-NATIONAL MARRIAGE.

-- SINCE OCTOBER THE SOVIETS HAVE ISSUED NO MORE THAN TWO OR THREE ENTRY VISAS TO AMERICAN CITIZENS FOR THE SPECIFIC PURPOSE OF MARRYING SOVIET CITIZENS. MOST AMERICANS WHO MARRY SOVIET CITIZENS DO SO WHILE IN THE USSR FOR ANOTHER PURPOSE, E.G., BUSINESS, STUDY, TOURISM, SINCE THE SOVIET AUTHORITIES ARE RELUCTANT TO ISSUE ENTRY VISAS TO AMERICANS APPLYING FOR THE STATED PURPOSE OF MARRYING SOVIET CITIZENS. IN ORDER TO MARRY SOVIET CITIZENS, AMERICANS, WHO ARE NOT RESIDENTS OF THE USSR HAVE TO MAKE TWO TRIPS - ONE TO SET DATE AND THE OTHER TO COMPLETE CEREMONY.

C. ESTIMATE, IF POSSIBLE, OF NUMBER OF EXIT PERMITS/ ENTRY VISAS TO SPOUSES DELAYED BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES FOR MORE THAN SIX MONTHS.

-- THE ONE OUTSTANDING CASE OF A SOVIET SPOUSE BEING DENIED AN EXIT PERMIT TO JOIN HER AMERICAN HUSBAND, THAT OF IRINA MCCLELLAN, HAS NOT BEEN RESOLVED SINCE AUGUST 1974, DESPITE HIGH LEVEL REPRESENTATIONS IN 1976 AND 1977.

D. PROVIDE BRIEF CHARACTERIZATION OF HOST GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE SINCE HELSINKI ON BI-NATIONAL MARRIAGES.

-- THE SOVIET ATTITUDE TOWARD BI-NATIONAL MARRIAGES REMAINS ONE OF GRUDGING TOLERANCE. THE ONE AREA OF IMPROVEMENT IS IN THE REDUCTION OF THE TIME A SOVIET
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SPOUSE MUST WAIT FOR PERMISSION TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY AFTER THE DATE OF MARRIAGE. THE AVERAGE WAITING TIME WAS REDUCED FROM APPROXIMATELY SEVEN MONTHS IN 1975 TO APPROXIMATELY FOUR MONTHS IN 1977. DURING 1976, APPROXIMATELY 40 PERCENT OF ALL MARRIAGE CASES WERE RESOLVED IN LESS THAN 90 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF MARRIAGE. THIS FIGURE HELD IN 1977. THE SOVIETS HAVE MADE NO EFFORT TO SIMPLIFY THE COMPLICATED INTERNAL PROCEDURES

AND BUREAUCRATIC RED-TAPE INVOLVED IN BI-NATIONAL MARRIAGES.

5. TRAVEL AND TOURISM

A. NUMBER OF (1) TOTAL U.S. NON-IMMIGRANT VISAS (NIVS): 6326, AND (2) TOURIST VISAS ISSUED JULY - DECEMBER 1977: 613.

B. ESTIMATE, IF POSSIBLE, OF NUMBER OF (1) NIVS AND (2) TOURIST VISAS GRANTED BY HOST GOVERNMENT TO AMERICANS.

-- INTOURIST STATISTICS SHOW 101,000 SOVIET NON-IMMIGRANT VISAS WERE GRANTED TO AMERICAN CITIZENS IN 1977. AMERICAN EXPRESS ESTIMATES THAT THE FIGURE FOR 1978 WILL BE SLIGHTLY IN EXCESS OF 100,000.

C. ESTIMATE OF AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME FOR ISSUANCE OF U.S. NIVS; COST OF VISA.

-- NO CHANGE.

D. ESTIMATE, IF POSSIBLE, OF AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME TO ISSUE HOST GOVERNMENT'S NIVS; COST OF VISAS.

-- NO CHANGE.

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E. ESTIMATE OF AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME NEEDED BY LOCAL NATIONALS FOR COMPLETING ALL HOST GOVERNMENT EXIT FORMALITIES.

-- FOR NIVS, GENERALLY LESS THAN THREE MONTHS, THOUGH MANY PEOPLE HAVE WAITED (AND ARE WAITING) FOR MORE THAN A DECADE.

F. PROVIDE BRIEF CHARACTERIZATION OF HOST GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE SINCE HELSINKI ON VISA AND ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES RELATED TO TRAVEL AND TOURISM.

-- APPROXIMATELY 25 PERCENT OF THE SOVIET UNION REMAINS OFF-LIMITS TO FOREIGN TOURISTS. A CONTINUING PROBLEM FOR EXCHANGE SCIENTISTS AND SCHOLARS IS THAT THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT USUALLY DOES NOT INCLUDE EXIT VISAS WHEN IT ISSUES ENTRY VISAS, THUS REQUIRING EXCHANGEES TO APPLY FOR EXIT VISA EACH TIME THEY WISH TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY. IT IS PARTICULARLY DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN EXIT VISAS DURING THE WEEKEND AND EXCHANGEES WHO HAVE EMERGENCY REASONS FOR WISHING TO LEAVE ON WEEKENDS ARE OFTEN FRUSTRATED.

6. INFORMATION

A. ESTIMATE, IF POSSIBLE, CURRENT NUMBER OF U.S. NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES IN HOST COUNTRY, SHOWING NUMBER

OF TITLES; NUMBER OF COPIES; PERCENTAGE OF NUMBER OF
COPIES ACCOUNTED FOR BY AMERICAN COMMUNIST PUBLICATIONS.

-- NO CHANGE.

B. PROVIDE BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF AVAILABILITY OF
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AMERICAN PUBLICATIONS TO LOCAL NATIONALS AT NEWSSTANDS,
LIBRARIES, BY SUBSCRIPTION.

-- NO CHANGE.

C. PROVIDE BRIEF CHARACTERIZATION OF HOST GOVERNMENT
PERFORMANCE ON PRINTED INFORMATION.

-- NO CHANGE.

D. ESTIMATE, AS WELL AS POSSIBLE, NUMBER OF AMERICAN
FEATURE AND NON-FEATURE FILMS SHOWN CURRENTLY IN HOST
COUNTRY COMMERCIALY, ON TELEVISION, AND BY SPECIAL
SHOWINGS.

-- SINCE THE PREVIOUS REPORT, THE STATE COMMITTEE FOR
CINEMATOGRAPHY HAS PURCHASED SIX AMERICAN FEATURE FILMS
FOR SHOWING IN THE USSR: "CLEOPATRA", "SONG WITHUT END",
"THE FRONT", "THE ADVENTURES OF DARWIN" AND TWO OTHERS.

E. ESTIMATE PERCENTAGE OF VOA, RFE, RL AND RIAS
BROADCASTS NOW JAMMED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

-- NO CHANGE.

F. PROVIDE BRIEF CHARACTERIZATION OF HOST GOVERNMENT
PERFORMANCE ON FILMED AND BROADCAST INFORMATION.

-- NO CHANGE.

7. WORKING CONDITIONS FOR JOURNALISTS

A. ESTIMATE, SINCE HELSINKI, NUMBER OF MULTIPLE
EXIT/ENTRY VISAS GRANTED AMERICAN NEWSMEN BY LOCAL
AUTHORITIES WITH PERMANENT ACCREDITATION; AND VISAS FOR

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B. ESTIMATE NUMBER OF SUCH VISAS REFUSED.

-- NONE. (VOA CORRESPONDENT MARK HOPKINS, SEEKING TO VISIT MOSCOW FOR THE NOVEMBER 7 FESTIVITIES, HAD HIS VISA DELAYED AND THEREFORE CANCELLED HIS TRAVEL PLANS.)

C. ESTIMATE NUMBER OF SUCH VISAS DELAYED MORE THAN SIX MONTHS.

-- NONE.

D. NUMBER OF AMERICAN JOURNALISTS NOW PERMANENTLY ACCREDITED IN LOCAL COUNTRY.

-- TWENTY-SIX REGULAR NEWSMEN, PLUS CORRESPONDENT FOR CPUSA "DAILY WORLD." NBC, WHICH HERETOFORE HAD BEEN REPRESENTED BY AN ACCREDITED CORRESPONDENT RESIDENT IN LONDON, WILL HAVE A FULL-TIME REPRESENTATIVE IN MOSCOW BEGINNING IN THE SUMMERY OF 1978.

E. NUMBER OF AMERICAN JOURNALISTS EXPELLED SINCE HELSINKI.

-- NO CHANGE.

F. PROVIDE BRIEF CHARACTERIZATION OF HOST GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE REGARDING ACCESS TO LOCAL SOURCES, FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT, FREEDOM TO IMPORT TECHNICAL E 80.3,5, FREEDOM TO IMPORT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE (E.G., FILM
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CREWS), AND FREEDOM TO COMMUNICATE WITH PARENT ORGANIZATION.
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-- SOVIET BEHAVIOR WITH RESPECT TO AMERICAN NEWSMEN UNDERWENT LITTLE SUBSTANTIVE CHANGE DURING THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT. THE ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE FOREIGN MINISTRY IN JANUARY OF ALLEGEDLY LIBERALIZED TRAVEL REGULATIONS HAS HAD ALMOST NO DISCERNABLE EFFECT ON ACTUAL ABILITY TO TRAVEL - ONE EXCEPTION WAS A VISIT BY ONE AMERICAN JOURNALIST AND A BRITISH COLLEAGUE TO A HERETOFORE CLOSED CITY IN ESTONIA. OTHER TRAVEL REQUESTS, HOWEVER, WERE GRANTED, ALTERED OR REFUSED AT ABOUT THE NORMAL RATES. ONE CORRESPONDENT, RETURNING FROM A REPORTING TRIP TO YUGOSLAVIA AND POLAND, WAS DETAINED AT THE BREST BORDER POINT AND SOME OF HIS REFERENCE MATERIAL WAS CONFISCATED, INCLUDING RFE RESEARCH REPORTS. THE EMBASSY MADE REPRESENTATIONS ON HIS BEHALF AND WAS TOLD THAT SOME OF THE ITEMS WOULD BE RETURNED. THUS FAR HOWEVER, NOTHING HAS BEEN RETURNED. THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT MORE FORTHCOMING IN ORGANIZING GROUP TRIPS FOR INTERESTED CORRESPONDENTS TO SUCH LEGITIMATE POINTS OF INTEREST AS THE TYUMEN' OIL AND

GAS FIELDS AND THE BAYKAL-AMUR RAILROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

G. NUMBER OF U.S. VISAS GRANTED TO HOST COUNTRY JOURNALISTS (A) FOR PERMANENT ACCREDITATION, AND (B) FOR SHORTER VISITS.

-- (A) SIX AND (B) EIGHT.

H. ESTIMATED NUMBER OF SUCH VISAS REFUSED.

-- NONE.

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